

**Communications, Community Engagement and Community Infrastructure Working Group meeting  
Blatchington Court Tuesday 8th December 2015 7 pm**

**Present:**

Robert Glick  
Mike Gibson  
Helmut Lusser  
David Kemp

**Apologies:**

Nigel Richardson  
Sue Gibson  
Jon Turner  
Stuart Croucher

**Have Your Say debrief**

It was agreed that the event was a success, although for next time, the following are suggested:

- Leaflets were delivered late and not at all in the west of the designated area (certainly west of Westbourne Rd and perhaps even Sackville Rd). Were they delivered in the high rise flats?  
We should organise the leafletting ourselves (Helmut has a contact via Hove Arts).
- We definitely need a PA system: even those in the front found it hard to hear.
- There was confusion about HSNF and Hyde Housing displays being in the same area. We need to think about ways to resolve this.
- We should consider using slides with an explanatory commentary, and ideally, rehearse with the visual materials to hand.

Next HYSD to be probably late March/early April e.g. Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. The date will be discussed at the next committee meeting. RG has obtained a quote for the use of Clarendon Villas venue again.

**Venues**

Quotes for venues for next HYSD, AGM (booked for Wed 27<sup>th</sup> January 2016, Ralli Hall) and bi-monthly meetings (Blatchington Court) being obtained (see the corresponding emails).

NB we should be nominating new committee members at the AGM.

## **First draft of the Neighbourhood Plan**

The NP will consist of three components:

- The physical 3-D model, to be expanded to south of the railway.
- The HSNF policies: our vision in the light of what the Planning Act allows us to do e.g. our policies on housing density, usage etc.  
Action: Helmut to have a first stab at this
- The evidence  
Action: Mike to start drafting this

Action All: to read the draft Vision document and then to agree a first draft of the NP by the end of February 2016.

## **Comms strategy**

The Comms workplan can be built from a matrix of:

- (i) spatial areas (eg areas like Stoneham, Goldstone Villas etc) and
- (ii) functions (e.g. local contacts, businesses, publicity, campaigns etc)

The Stoneham NP Group will be able to submit a draft for their ideas as input to the HSNF NP.

Action: Mike to continue contact with them and explain our rough timetable to them, to secure their input.

## **Petitions**

In general, the council will consider numbers of signatories and technical arguments. Both are important.

The waste management site petition has 70 signatures (55 on paper; 15 online at 38degrees.org.uk).

Phillip O'Callaghan of Mountpark offered resources *"time and funds to raising public awareness and hopefully increasing the volume of objections"*.

We should take advantage of this offer as a high priority. We only have a couple of weeks to deliver this petition.

Action: Mike to work with RG and take up Phillip O'Callaghan's offer.

The Hove Station footbridge petition has 73 signatures. It hasn't yet been launched online.

## **Older Comms items carried forward**

### **Website design**

The website does function although it's not perfect.

Manish still had actions outstanding.

We need to decide on whether to change the Wordpress theme to another style.

Manish will look at functionality of other styles and prices (if applicable).

The Captcha box has been introduced (to prevent automated spam).

**Action: RG to chase Manish.**

### **Website content**

The content should be reviewed e.g. the working groups terms of reference and working groups' progress. ToR to be completed, amendments agreed and feedback to RG.

**Action: MG and committee (where applicable)**

MG has expressed a desire to post news and comments on a blog on the website. It was agreed that the existing blog would be used. MG will send material to RG (or others in the Comms group) who will then post the material.

Action: MG to provide material for posting

The work with the Brighton School of Planning. Three reports need to be uploaded to the website: Planning applications eg Matsim Furniture Village; Hyde Housing New Town Road; Resource Centre (?).

Action: MG

### **Next meeting TBA**